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National FOIA Office
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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Washington, DC 20460
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Attn: Public Records / Legal Office

Re: PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act (the "FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. Section 552 et seq. I am making this request on behalf of Direct Action Everywhere (DXE), a non-profit animal advocacy organization whose purpose is to educate the public about the treatment of animals in farming and animal agriculture. On behalf of DXE, I hereby request that within twenty (20) working days you provide me with copies of records requested below.

I hereby request that you provide me with a copy of the following records, which are held by your agency:

1. All communications (including, without limitation, emails, encrypted and unencrypted chats, notes of meetings, and telephone communications) between your agency and "Circle Four", "Smithfield", "Smithfield Foods", "Murphy Family Farms", "Murphy Brown LLC", "WH Group", "Prestige Farms", "Carroll Farms", "Carroll Foods", "Shuanghu International" and "Shuanghui Group" between the dates of January 1 2012 and the present day.

And;

2. All documents and data (including, without limitation, emails, encrypted and unencrypted chats, notes of meetings, and telephone communications) including the terms "Circle Four", "Smithfield", "Smithfield Foods", "Murphy Family Farms", "Murphy Brown LLC", "WH Group", "Prestige Farms", "Carroll Farms", "Carroll Foods", "Shuanghu International" and "Shuanghui Group" regarding complaints made by your agency to the above named entities, notices sent by your agency to the above named entities, and complaints made by the public or other government agencies to your agency in regards to the above named entities between the dates of January 1 2012 and the present day.

I request that you make the records "promptly available." If you determine that some or all of this information is exempt from disclosure, please note under what section of the law you believe the information is exempt. If you believe redaction of part of the requested information is required, please explain why you believe such redaction is necessary. If you are exercising discretion not to disclose the requested records, please explain why you are using such discretion. If you determine that an express provision of the statute exists to exempt disclosure, please inform me within ten (10) days of the date of your receipt of this request.

If there are any fees for searching or copying these records, please inform me if the fees will exceed \$500. However, as we are a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization which engages in media activity, we respectfully request that you waive any fees.

If you believe that further clarification of this request would be helpful, please do not hesitate to contact me at the number or email listed above.

Very truly yours,



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